

## THE WEATHER

Clear and colder tonight  
Saturday fair

## TONOPAH DAILY BONANZA

## METAL QUOTATIONS

Silver	75%
Copper	33-35
Lead	10 3-16
Quicksilver	\$135

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## EXTRA SESSION OF CONGRESS CALLED FOR APRIL 16

## U.S. Merchantmen Will be Armed at Once by the Government

FILIBUSTER KILLED  
AFTER 100 YEARS

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 9.—After more than 100 years under rules permitting debate limited only by the physical endurance of senators and the provisions of the constitution, the senate last night by a vote of 75 to 3 put power in the hands of two-thirds of its members in the future to limit discussion, and to say when a vote shall be taken on a pending measure.

The organized filibuster, as recognized in the senate, is dead. The new rule provides that on petition of 15 members to close debate on a pending measure, the senate by a two-thirds vote on the following day but one, may limit debate thereafter to one hour to each senator. It includes provisions to prevent dilatory tactics and the introduction after cloture is ordered of amendments not germane to the pending bill.

FRENCH CAPTURE  
LINE OF TRENCHES

MATERIAL GAIN CLAIMED IN THE  
CHAMPAGNE SECTION AFTER  
TWO HARD FIGHTING

(By Associated Press.)  
PARIS, Mar. 9.—German positions on a front of 1500 metres, varying as a front of 1500 metres, varying were carried in Champagne by the French. A German counter attack was repulsed after violent fighting. Two German attacks in Avocourt Wood were repulsed.

BELGIAN FACTORIES  
MUST CLOSE DOORS

NO INDUSTRIES CAN BE OPER-  
ATED UNDER THE NEW  
REGULATIONS

(By Associated Press.)  
AMSTERDAM, Mar. 9.—The Germans have stopped all industries in Belgium, according to the Telegraaf. They have prohibited factories employing over 12 workmen, using engines over five horsepower or consuming over five tons of coal or other fuel, monthly. They are also forbidden to build, or finish factories after March 1st, without permission.

PRIMARY ELECTION  
LAW REFERRED

THATCHER'S GAMBLING BILL  
REPORTED FAVORABLY  
IN THE SENATE

(Special to the Bonanza.)  
CARSON CITY, Nevada, Mar. 9.—The judiciary committee in the senate today reported the Thatcher gambling bill favorably with amendments making it a gross misdemeanor and providing that officials who refuse to take steps to enforce the law are subject to removal.

Huskey's bill for the prevention of cruelty to children and animals which contains an antiprize fight section was reported unfavorably. The controversy over the primary election law was re-opened yesterday when the senate passed a resolution in the afternoon declaring that the substitute bill offered in the assembly for the Luce & Huskey bills and passed should be considered as an amendment to the Huskey bill and refusing to concur in the amendment.

The substitute bill now goes back to the assembly which will have a chance to recede. The bill passed the assembly with but eight dissenting votes.

Two bills affecting state officials were made a special order for this afternoon by the senate yesterday. One is the Bradshaw bill providing that state officials cannot charge more for transportation from one town to another than the regular fare between those places. The other is the Thatcher bill fixing the salaries of state officials.

The senate passed the Nye county delegation's bill fixing the salary of justices of the peace of Nye.

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ENTIRE CABINET BACKS PRESIDENT  
WHO SIGNS PROCLAMATION IN BED

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 9.—The president has decided to call an extra session for April 16th. He also decided that he has the power to arm American merchantmen against German submarines operating in violation of international law. Action is expected forthwith. He said he is calling Congress because so much necessary legislation is pressing for consideration. It was learned definitely that some American merchantmen sailing for the submarine zone will be immediately armed by the government.

It is not expected that the names will be given out.

The president signed the proclamation in bed. The entire cabinet backs him.

The navy department has been ordered to carry out this decision. The president will issue an appeal to all American newspapers to refrain from publishing any information whatever of the nature of the armament of ships. Already he has appealed to the cable companies to suppress information of ships crossing the Atlantic in either direction.

Guns for arming have been assembled at the navy yards along the Atlantic coast, and everything is ready to carry out the policy.

GERMAN NAVAL  
OFFICER IN HOC

WORKED AS FARM HAND AND  
RECENTLY MADE A TOUR  
OF CUBA

(By Associated Press.)  
LOS ANGELES, Mar. 9.—Captain Alfred Fritzen, said to be a German naval officer, was arrested at Harwood, near here, by E. M. Blanford, a special agent of the department of justice. He is held on suspicion of felony. The authorities said he is wanted in connection with the alleged plot to destroy the Welland canal.

Fritzen's only statement was: "What I know I cannot tell." Federal agents have been watching him for six months. He returned to California three days ago, arriving at San Diego. Several months ago he worked as a farm hand under the name of "Piper," though his dress and bearing are distinguished. No incriminating papers were found.

Fritzen is said to have been in the United States for three years. Recently he was touring Cuba. Emil Roedel, formerly German consular agent here, aided Fritzen, the federal agents said, but whether this was simply because of his nationality or other reasons is not stated.

Fritzen said the charge against him is absurd. He was in New York when the alleged attempt was made to execute the canal plot. He talked freer after a few hours in jail, which place disgusted him. He said he had wealthy relatives and could get plenty of money but was "not supplied by his government." He will not fight extradition and does not fear trial. He said he was a naval officer on leave when the war started. He tried to return to the fatherland, but was unable.

(By Associated Press.)  
NEW YORK, Mar. 9.—Fritzen was indicted by the federal grand jury here last April in the alleged Welland canal conspiracy.

Minority Rule of Ulster Men  
Opposed by United Ireland

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, Mar. 8.—The text of the Nationalist manifesto is as follows:

"The premier in his speech yesterday in the debate on home rule, took up a proposition which, if adhered to, would involve denial of self government to Ireland for ever. He laid down the principle that the small minority in northeast Ulster should have the veto so long as they choose to exercise it on self government for United Ireland. That is a position to which the representatives of Ireland can never assent."

"He asserted that he had never changed his position on the so-called coercion of Ulster. That is not true. He was party to the drafting of the original home rule bill, which applies to all Ireland. He was a party to the rejection in two successive sessions in the face of a most vigorous protest from representatives of northeast Ulster of amendments to exclude Ulster and

YARROWDALE MEN  
ARE NOW IN BERNE

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, Mar. 9.—A Berlin dispatch says the Americans and other neutrals who were aboard the Yarrowdale, left Germany Wednesday. The Americans were sent to Switzerland via Linden.

RETIRING SLOWLY  
IN ANTICIPATION  
OF ENGAGEMENT

STEEL JAWS OF THE ENTENTE  
CLOSING IN ON THE CENTRAL POWERS

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, Mar. 9.—According to Major General Frederick Maurice, further retirement of the German lines on the Somme, and the arrival of the British army before Bagdad may be predicted as early events.

"During the past week the Germans retired slowly until their line extends approximately from Bucquoy to Bapaume, accentuating the dangerous salient from which the enemy wishes to retire rather than risk meeting an offensive along that line. The British cavalry is within 12 miles of Bagdad, which is indefensible, except along the River Diala, six miles away, where the Turks may make a stand."

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, Mar. 9.—Asked by a Budapest paper whether war with the United States was expected, Dr. Zimmerman said: "I do not know. It depends on President Wilson. But I can say this: We shall prosecute our submarine war with all the means at our disposal."

CUBANS REGAIN  
CONTROL OF ISLE

GOVERNMENT FORCES ONCE  
MORE IN POSSESSION OF  
SANTIAGO CITY

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 9.—Dispatches have established the fact that the Cuban government forces have regained control in Santiago, the rebel stronghold. President Menocal has notified the United States that Governor Munoz, in command there, represents him and the recognized Cuban government. Repossession of Santiago and the capture of the rebel leader Gomez and staff are regarded as marking the collapse of the rebellion. It is understood that the city was taken by a coup from within, before Menocal's troops arrived. Munoz has declared himself loyal to Menocal and the American forces were landed at his request to protect foreign interests in the event that the departing rebels should attempt to re-enter the city.

DEATH OF ZEPPELIN  
CAUSED BY MUMPS

AFTER INTESTINAL OPERATION  
CONTRACTED DISEASE WHICH  
LED TO PNEUMONIA

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, Mar. 9.—Count Zeppelin was suffering from dysentery some time before his death. A complication necessitated an intestinal operation, according to Reuters. The operation was successful and his recovery was hoped for when mumps developed, which later resulted in inflammation of the lungs.

GRIM HUNGER IN  
GERMAN EMPIRE

(By Associated Press.)  
LONDON, Mar. 9.—The Prussian food controller, Dr. George Michaelis, made in the Prussian diet yesterday, what the Koelnische Zeitung calls a serious speech on the food situation, says a Renter dispatch from Amsterdam. Dr. Michaelis declared the distress was such that a severe state of things, especially in the large industrial centers, could hardly be imagined. He indicated the possibility that all surplus stocks of grain would be exhausted and said that very radical measures were needed to enable the people to hold out until next year.

"We have in the third year of the war," the food controller is quoted as saying, "discovered that among all sections of the people the general feeling evinced is not one of endurance for which he had hoped. This is human nature, but it is

DISCOVERY CHEAPENS  
COST OF EXPLOSIVES

GREAT SAVING EFFECTED IN  
THE MAKING OF HIGH EX-  
PLOSIVE PROJECTILES

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 9.—The navy department received bids today from six companies for 14-inch high explosive projectiles. The Crucible Steel company was low bidder, to begin delivery in 90 days at \$235 per shell.

The same type of projectile, formerly known as common shell in the navy, differentiating from armor piercing shells which cost about twice as much. The navy ordnance bureau discovered a process some time ago by which the common shell could be converted at small expense into high explosive projectiles.

W. STOTESBURY, of the Tonopah Mining company, returned this morning from Mina, where he inspected a mining property.

NEW YORK BROKER IS JUBILANT  
OVER PROSPECT FOR SILVER

Oscar A. Daube, the New York stock broker and promoter who has been so actively interested in Tonopah almost since the inception of the camp, returned this morning from the east, where he was called by the illness of his son and by imperative business.

"I returned to look over the situation," he said to a Bonanza representative today.

Mr. Daube turned some big deals on his latest visit, both for himself and for the Paine-Webber company, a Boston stock exchange house. For the latter he purchased some six hundred acres of ground in the western portion of the district, including the Table Mountain, Comstock, Golden West and Silver Queen Groups and a number of fractions. He also bought the Ruby group which he turned to the Great Western company.

"The camp is looking better to me than ever," said Mr. Daube. "Silver will ultimately go to a much higher price. Submarine warfare has caused a temporary suspension of the shipment of silver to England, as no insurance can be obtained. The Luconia carried 1000 ingots, worth about \$1,000,000, and when this boat was torpedoed silver edged off in price, but I am certain that there will be a sharp advance as soon as the submarine menace is removed and that the price will go to a dollar at least when the war ends."

Meanwhile China and India are steady purchasers and are paying sometimes as much as 3 1/2 cents in San Francisco above the New York price.

highly deplorable and may have most serious results.

"We have not perceived in the towns that stern supervision that is absolutely necessary in the distribution of food stuffs. There has been widespread abuse of bread tickets, entailing grave consequences as regards our stocks. Bread tickets have been illegally used on such a shocking scale that our entire reserves were exhausted. So when potatoes and bread was ordered as a substitute, there was none available. Flour has been similarly reduced, owing to similar irregularities in the mills."

Dr. Michaelis concluded by urging the utmost severity to remedy the shortcomings while there was yet time. Some of the mills would have to be closed and the municipalities deprived of their enormous powers. Rationings and requisitioning must be strictly supplied with respect to eggs, milk, butter, fruit and vegetables. He added:

"We are confronted with the thought of what would happen if this measure also should fail, and what grim starvation there would be. It suddenly during the closing months of the economic year we should find there was insufficiency and we could not hold out. The ensuing misery would be indescribable."

The speech caused a sensation and the Socialist Hufer, who followed according to the Rheinische Westfalische Zeitung declared that the Junkers were to blame if a famine supervened.

An attempt was made, he said, to shift the blame on England.

"The selfishness of the agrarians is the cause of the high prices. The war would long since have ended if everybody had to suffer hunger equally. The present meal ration is insufficient. To withhold such a necessary from the people in the interest only of agrarian tariff is demnable. I recall Professor Abbes' retirement from the council of the war feeding department, the strikes of munitions workers in Essen and Berlin, owing to under-feeding have only too well justified him."

BUTLER  
THEATRE

## TONIGHT

Double Bill. Seven-reel Show  
GEORGE WALSH in  
"THE ISLAND OF DESIRE"  
A story of the South Seas  
—and—  
the first Fox two-reel comedy  
just finished  
"SOCIAL PIRATES"

## TOMORROW

Mme. Petrova in "Extravaganza."  
"He Shot His Art Out." Two-reel comedy.  
Matinee 1:30—Night 7 and 8:20.  
Admission 10-15c